Approved For Release 2003/08/12 : CIA-RDP82-00457R013506400008-4 FEB 1952 51-4AA CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY CLASSIFICATION SECRET SECURITY INFORMATION INFORMATION REPORT REPORT NO. 25X1A CD NO. COUNTRY DATE DISTR. 1 Sep. 1952 China/Indochina NO. OF PAGES 1 SUBJECT Establishment of Foreign Trading Station in North Vietnam NO. OF ENCLS. DATE OF 25X1A INFO. **PLACE** SUPPLEMENT TO ACQUIRED 25X1A REPORT NO. THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE F THE UNITED STATES, WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 18, SECTIONS 793 THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION AND 794, OF THE U.S. CODE, AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR REVE-LATION OF ITS CONTENTS TO OR RECEIPT BY AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON THE REPRODUCTION OF THIS FORM IS PROHIBITED 25X1X The Foreign Trade Bureau of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam's Ministry of Economics has established a foreign trading station at Dongdang (106-41, 21-56) for the special purpose of consolidating control over trade between Vietnam and Kwangsi and of absorbing commodities exported by private merchants in The principal commodities exported from Vietnam which are handled by this station are railway ties, tung oil, fennel, and star aniseed; those imported from Kwangsi are rice and salt. In early July 1952 prices prevailing between the station and private merchants on the China-Vietnam border were as follows, per 100 catties: Second grade polished rice JMP 140,000 Salt JMP 180,000 Tong Oil JMP 730,000 Fennel and Star Aniseed Approximately JMP 640,000 25X1X Comment. The Kwangsi Government has repeatedly prohibited the circulation of Vietnam banknotes within Kwangsi, but it has not been able to completely enforce this order in the border regions. CLASSIFICATION SECRET DISTRIBUTION STATE # X NSRB NAVY #

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